

## **ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER**

### **SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA**

#### **RE: APPOINTMENTS TO THE MASS LITIGATION PANEL**

WHEREAS, pursuant to Rule 26.02 of the West Virginia Trial Court Rules, duly amended by the Supreme Court of Appeals on June 30, 2009, the Chief Justice, with the approval of the full Court, shall appoint seven (7) active or senior status circuit judges to serve on the Mass Litigation Panel for a term of three (3) years, with two (2) judges to be appointed each year; provided, however, that beginning in 2009 and in every third year thereafter, three (3) judges shall be appointed; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Rule 26.02, the Chief Justice shall also annually designate a Panel member to serve as its Chair; and

WHEREAS, the three-year terms of the Honorable Booker T. Stephens, Judge of the Eighth Judicial Circuit, and the Honorable Jay M. Hoke, Judge of the Twenty-Fifth Judicial Circuit, will expire on June 30, 2009;

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED, that the Honorable Booker T. Stephens, Judge of the Eighth Judicial Circuit, be reappointed to serve on the Mass Litigation Panel from July 1, 2009, through June 30, 2012; and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, that the Honorable Jay M. Hoke, Judge of the Twenty-Fifth Judicial Circuit be reappointed to serve on the Mass Litigation Panel from July 1, 2009, through June 30, 2012; and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, that the Honorable Thomas C. Evans, III, Judge of the Fifth Judicial Circuit, be appointed to serve on the Mass Litigation Panel from July 1, 2009, through June 30, 2012; and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, that the Honorable Alan D. Moats, Judge of the Nineteenth Judicial Circuit, be reappointed to serve as the Chair for the Mass Litigation Panel from July 1, 2009, through June 30, 2010; and

IT IS FURTHER ACKNOWLEDGED, that the Panel members and the expiration dates of their terms shall now be as follows:

<b>The Honorable Derek C. Swope</b> Judge of the Ninth Judicial Circuit	<b>June 30, 2010</b>
<b>The Honorable James P. Mazzone</b> Judge of the First Judicial Circuit	<b>June 30, 2010</b>
<b>The Honorable Alan D. Moats (Chair)</b> Judge of the Nineteenth Judicial Circuit	<b>June 30, 2011</b>
<b>The Honorable John A. Hutchison</b> Judge of the Tenth Judicial Circuit	<b>June 30, 2011</b>
<b>The Honorable Booker T. Stephens</b> Judge of the Eighth Judicial Circuit	<b>June 30, 2012</b>
<b>The Honorable Jay M. Hoke</b> Judge of the Twenty-Fifth Judicial Circuit	<b>June 30, 2012</b>
<b>The Honorable Thomas C. Evans, III</b> Judge of the Fifth Judicial Circuit	<b>June 30, 2012</b>

ENTERED: JUNE 30, 2009

//s// BRENT D. BENJAMIN  
Chief Justice